

or two seemingly drought resistant, another for dry cold regions, and the curious *Rosa berberifolia*, with undivided leaves, more or less like those of a barberry. For distribution later.

*SOLANUM TUBEROSUM*. (Solanaceae.) 31537-547, 31654-676. Tubers of wild potatoes from Chile. Received through Mr. José D. Husbands, Limavida, Chile. White and yellow varieties, some of them very early, said to yield in seven weeks. For distribution later.

*SOLANUM SP.* (Solanaceae.) 31683. Tubers of bitter potatoes from Perene, Peru. Presented by Mr. J. A. Furlong. For distribution later.

*SPONDIAS MANGIFERA*. (Anacardiaceae.) 31634. Seeds from Peradeniya, Ceylon. Presented by Dr. John C. Willis, Director, Royal Botanic Garden, Peradeniya. Introduced as a possible stock for the common mango. For distribution later.

*VIGNA LUTEA*. (Fabaceae.) 31606-607. Seeds of a *Vigna* from the Philippine Islands. Received through Prof. C. V. Piper, of this Bureau. Two of thirty-seven interesting economic plants, mostly forage crops and grasses collected by Prof. Piper during his stay in the islands while investigating the forage conditions for the War Department. For distribution later.

*ZEA MAYS*. (Poaceae.) 31560. Seeds of corn from Buenos Aires, Argentina. Presented by Mr. Joseph E. Wing, agent of the United States Tariff Board. "I bought the Argentine maize for you in Buenos Aires. It may have much use in our country in regions like western Nebraska or Colorado, since it matures here in a climate that will not mature our maize owing to cold nights and drought." (Wing.) For distribution later.

#### NOTES FROM FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS.

**BRAZIL.** Bahia. Mr. Southard P. Warner, American consul, writes August 6, that the Secretary of Agriculture for the State of Bahia has promised to secure for us as soon as possible, plants of the caroá and the makimbiera, two species of *Neoglaziovia*, of probably great value as fibre plants suitable for culture in the driest portions of the Southwest.

**CHINA.** Tangshan. Rev. George F. Candlin writes July 1 that he will endeavor to get seeds of the *Cedrela sinensis* (Hsiang ch'un) for us, as it is cultivated in his neighbourhood for its tender leaves and sprouts, which are eaten much as the southern Chinese eat bamboo sprouts.